

Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of

2001 Annual Access Tariff Filings

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CC Docket No. 01-206

**MOTION FOR
CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT**

1. Moultrie Independent Telephone Company (“MITCO”), through its undersigned counsel, hereby requests confidential treatment of the attachments submitted with its Direct Case filed in the captioned proceeding.¹ This request is made pursuant to Sections 0.457 and 0.459 of the Commission’s rules, 47 CFR 0.457 and 0.459. In the Bureau’s Designation Order regarding Moultrie’s 2001 annual access tariff filing, the Bureau requested further explanations regarding MITCO’s calculation of costs for the 2001 local switching rate element and regarding the increase in that rate element. These attachments are responsive to that request.

2. The information that Moultrie marks as “proprietary” and “confidential” includes cost study forecasts for 2001. These forecasts include both the study relied upon by Moultrie in setting the rates in its 2001 annual access tariff filing, as well as a recomputed study forecasting rates in compliance with the Bureau’s request in the Designation Order. The information also includes local switching support data, and Moultrie’s interstate access cost studies for the years 1994, 1995, and 1996.

¹ 2001 Annual Access Tariff Filings, Order Designating Issues for Investigation, DA 01-2033, released Aug. 29, 2001.

3. Pursuant to Section 0.457 of the rules, the data contained in the attachments is proprietary financial data of the company and is not routinely available for public inspection. These materials contain commercial and financial information that are used to compute MITCO's local switching and other rates and, as such, the information typically is guarded against disclosure to competitors and the public at large.

4. These documents and the data therein should continue to be withheld from public inspection at any time now or in the future.

Respectfully Submitted,

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